

BALTIMORE CITY--COMMISSION FOR HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL PRESERVATION

CDBG SURVEY YEAR:NA  
AREA:Brookline

SURVEY NO.:B-4186  
MAGI NO.:0441868704

ADDRESS:3501 Fairview Avenue  
CURRENT NAME:



BLOCK:	LOT:	LOT SIZE:
HEIGHT:3 stories		MATERIALS:Brick
CONDITION:		OWNER:
		ADDRESS:
USE:Dwelling		ACCESSIBLE:No
DESIGNATION:		LIBER/FOLIO:

HISTORIC NAME:Ashburton Apartment, Apartment "B"  
DATE:1906-1913  
ARCHITECT/BUILDER:  
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE):Mission Revival

DESCRIPTION:

3501 is one of 9 matching, although not all identical, stuccoed brick buildings, the "Ashburton Apartments", located next to and across from each other in the Brookline neighborhood of northwest Baltimore, MD. 3501 is located on the south side of Fairview Ave. west of the intersection of Fairview and N. Edgewood St. Its parapet roof line differs from that of the Ashburton Apartments A, C, & D. Aside from the roof line it closely matches 3500 (B-4185) and 3413 (B-4184) Fairview, with a 3 bay wide first floor, 6 bay second and third floors. The first floor is dominated by a full-width stuccoed wood porch, with deck. The third floor has 2 two bay wood balconies with simply carved wooden balustrades and braced with plain wood brackets. Above the third floor is a tiled wraparound shed roof supported by paired wood brackets. The first floor has paired multipaned windows and a center door. The second and third floors have 1 over 1 windows and end doors leading to sleeping porches.

SIGNIFICANCE:

AREA:Architecture                      LEVEL:Local

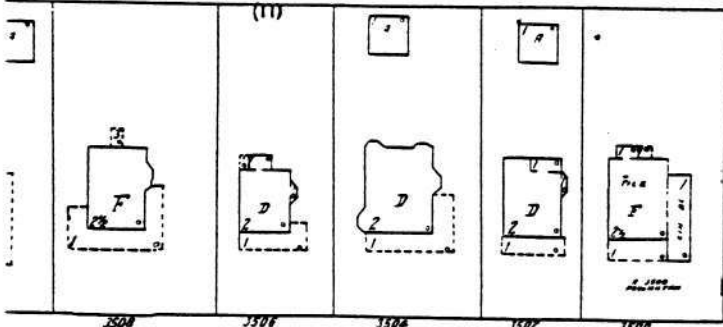
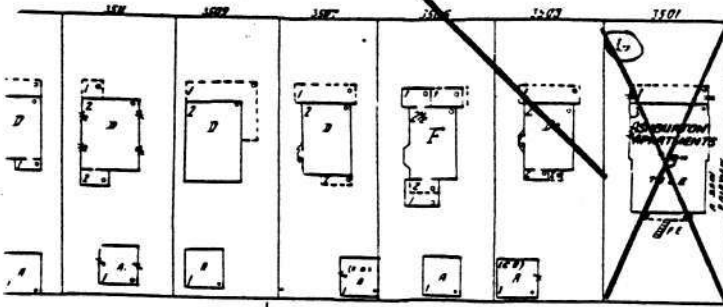
3501 Fairview Ave. would be considered eligible for the National Register within a district of undetermined boundaries in the Brookline area of northwest Baltimore. Built in the early twentieth century, between 1906-1913, this building is an example of the use of Mission Revival style in suburban development. Mission Revival was most common outside of the southwest between 1905-1920. (McAlester, A Field Guide to American Homes, p.408-415) The Mission style details of the Ashburton Apartments include smooth stucco walls, tile roofs, shaped Mission roof parapets, square porch supports, and decorative quatrefoils. The 1906 Bromley Atlas shows no development on this block. At that time construction on Fairview began east, at 3614 and 3617, with development in the area centered on Garrison Blvd., north of Duvall, and extending only as far west as Winfield. The land of the 3400 and 3500 blocks of Fairview was once part of the Gittings Estate--"Ashburton". Gittings sold a large portion of his farm in 1919 for development. However, the land of this block of Fairview, south of Liberty Heights, was sold before 1896. Brookline was one of a number of developments which sprang up in west Baltimore during the first part of the twentieth century. They acted as infill between the planned suburban developments that were replacing many of Baltimore County's nineteenth century country estates. Brookline was south of the Forest Park suburb. Today this region of Brookline is included in the neighborhood of Ashburton.

SOURCES:Bond,Allen K.,Guide to Baltmre & Environs.1926/Beyond Wht Mrble Steps/ Bromley Atlas 1896/ CHAP Files & Ashburton Survey/McAlester/MHS, V.Files/Pratt, V.Files.  
SURVEYOR AND DATE:Mary K. Mannix, March 2, 1988

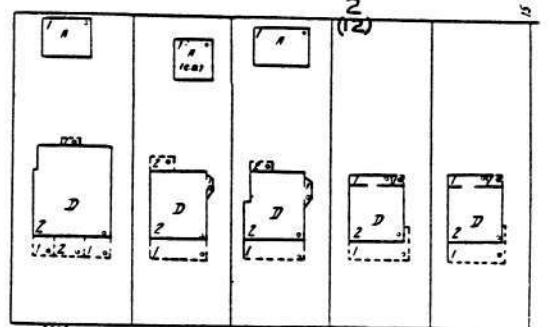
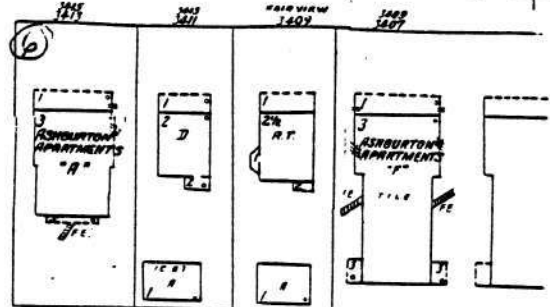
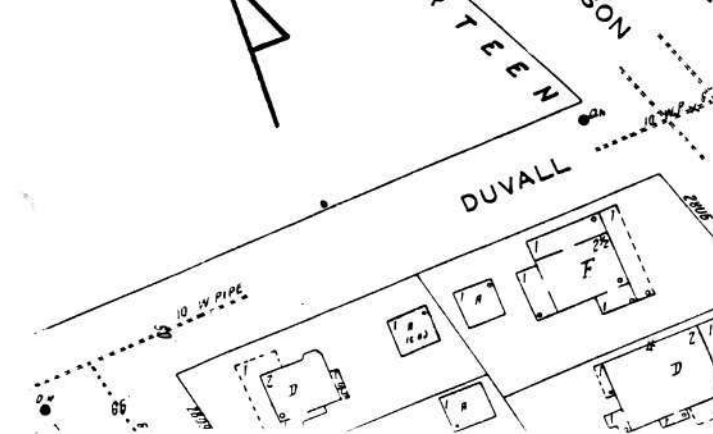
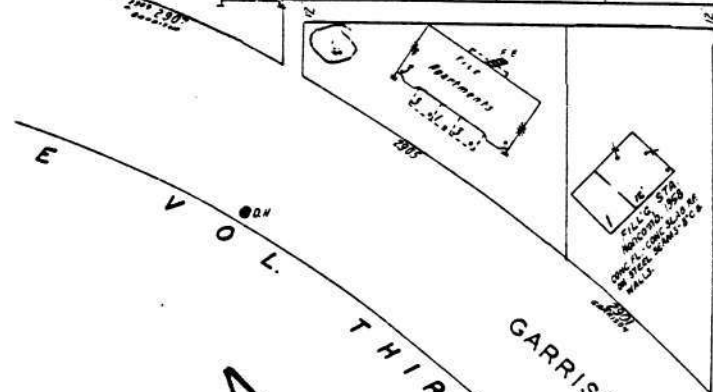
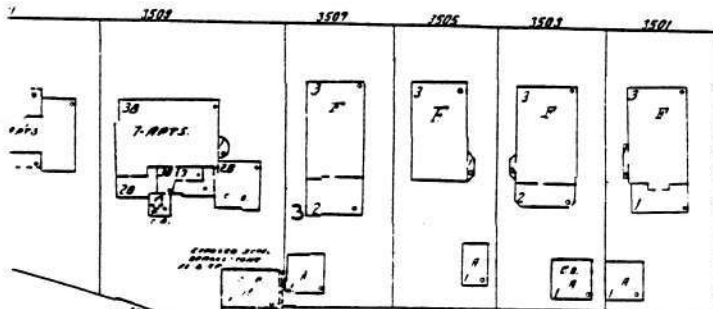
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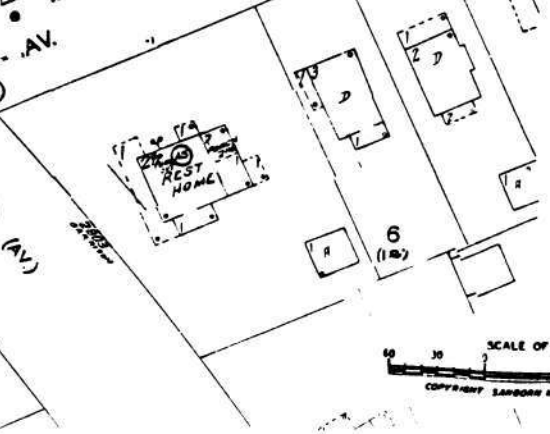
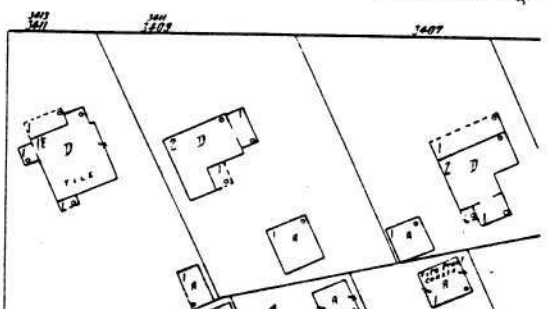
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3501 Fairview Avenue  
Block 2920 Lot 009  
Baltimore City  
Baltimore West Quad.





Ashburton Apt "B"  
3501 Fairview Ave B-4186  
Baltimore (City), Maryland  
Photo: Mary K. Mannix  
Date: September 1987  
Neg. loc.: MD Hist. Trust  
Northeast elevation